

## **Larry DeBoer**

Panel: Local tax

## **Biography**

Larry DeBoer is a professor and extension specialist in Agricultural Economics at Purdue University. DeBoer joined the Purdue faculty in 1984. He studies state and local government public policy, including such topics as government budget and taxing options, issues of property tax assessment, local government revenue options, and the fiscal impact of economic development. He has worked with the Indiana Legislative Services Agency on tax and finance issues since 1988. He contributes to the annual state revenue forecasts. He helps maintain a model of the property tax used by the Indiana state legislature to analyze the impacts of assessment and tax policy changes.

DeBoer directed the staff work for Governor O'Bannon's Citizen's Commission on Taxation, 1997-98, and contributed research to Governor Daniels' Commission on Local Government Reform in 2007. He writes a monthly column about Indiana and national economic topics, *Capital Comments*, and maintains a website devoted to Indiana state and local government issues.

He teaches an undergraduate course in macroeconomics with an enrollment of 250 to 350 each semester, and has authored a macroeconomics textbook, called *MacroPolicy*. DeBoer earned his undergraduate degree at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana in 1978 and his Ph.D. at Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York in 1983. He taught economics at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana from 1982 to 1984, before joining Purdue's staff in September 1984.